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a problem with a doctor, didn't think the doctor did the right thing, kept them on the life support too long, and they couldn't do anything about it, so they wanted this in the statute so that the physicians and medical people would have to pay attention to that. So I think probably...I think that your amendment helps strengthen the feeling I have about the bill. So I'll continue to support it, and if you can add anything to...see with the federal advanced medical directives and all those things I think we've gotten to a point where...I'm getting to the point where I just may forget going to the hospital or anything because it's getting so complicated. You can't just go and have whatever you need to be done, or you can't go to the doctor, or you can't go to the dentist or whatever because there are so many rules and regulations. And we're...we're...it seems like with this living will concept, which I have nothing against the concept, I think the idea is all right that we should be able to...to look ahead and hope that we don't use up the family's resources and so on when it's not needed. But I think we do have to be a little careful of allowing someone, that maybe we don't even know, in an emergency room or something, to make that decision for us. So thank you, Senator Lindsay. And, Senator Landis, you said some things too that helped me. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Crosby. Mr. Clerk, we have an amendment on the desk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Yes, Madam President. Senator Lindsay would move to amend AM2505. Would you like me to read it, Senator?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Please.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Okay. On line 8 strike "the declarants" and insert "a member of the declarant's immediate".

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Lindsay.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Madam President. What this would do is Senator Landis raised a valid objection to the question of trying to hunt somebody down in the Peace Corps, something like that. That's not the intent. What this amendment to the amendment would do is simply change it to say that you have to notify a member of the declarant's immediate family. So again it...try to confirm that we're not looking for trying to hunt down lost heirs, trying to hunt down people in the Peace Corps on different continents. It's simply notification of somebody